## The Mythopoeic Society

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### 2018 Mythopoeic Award Finalists

#### Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Adult Literature

Crowley, John. *Ka: Dar Oakley in the Ruin of Ym*r (Saga Press, 2017) Hoffman, Alice. *The Rules of Magic* (Simon and Schuster, 2017) Kathryns, G.A. *Snow City* (Sycamore Sky Books, 2017) Klages, Ellen. *Passing Strange* (Tor.com, 2017) LaValle, Victor. *The Changeling* (Spiegel and Grau, 2017)

### Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Children's Literature

Beasley, Cassie. *Tumble and Blue* (Dial Books, 2017) Burgis, Stephanie. *The Dragon with the Chocolate Heart* (Bloomsbury USA Childrens, 2017) Chanani, Nidhi. *Pashmina* (First Second, 2017) Harrold, A.F. *The Song from Somewhere Else* (Bloomsbury USA Childrens, 2017) Nix, Garth. *Frogkisser* (Scholastic Press, 2017)

### Mythopoeic Scholarship Award in Inklings Studies

Chance, Jane. Tolkien, Self and Other: This Queer Creature (Palgrave Macmillan, 2016) Coutras, Lisa. Tolkien's Theology of Beauty: Majesty, Splendor, and Transcendence in Middleearth (Palgrave Macmillan, 2016) Flieger, Verlyn. There Would Always Be a Fairy Tale: More Essays on Tolkien (Kent State University Press, 2017) Higgins, Sørina. The Inklings and King Arthur: J. R. R. Tolkien, Charles Williams, C. S. Lewis, and Owen Barfield on the Matter of Britain (Apocryphile Press, 2017) Tolkien, Christopher ed. Beren and Luthien (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2017)

# Mythopoeic Scholarship Award in Myth and Fantasy Studies

Byrne, Aisling. *Otherworlds: Fantasy and History in Medieval Literature* (Oxford Univ. Press, 2016)

Fimi, Dimitra. Celtic Myth in Contemporary Children's Fantasy: Idealization, Identity, Ideology (Palgrave MacMillan, 2017)

Levy, Michael and Farah Mendlesohn. *Children's Fantasy Literature: An Introduction* (Cambridge Univ. Press, 2016)

Sanders, Elizabeth M. *Genres of Doubt: Science Fiction, Fantasy and the Victorian Crisis of Faith* (McFarland, 2017)

Wolf, Mark J.P., ed. The Routledge Companion to Imaginary Worlds (Routledge, 2017)

The Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Adult Literature is given to the fantasy novel, multi-volume, or single-author story collection for adults published during 2016 or 2017 that best exemplifies the spirit of the Inklings. Books are eligible for two years after publication if not selected as a

finalist during the first year of eligibility. Books from a series are eligible if they stand on their own; otherwise, the series becomes eligible the year its final volume appears.

The Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Children's Literature honors books for beginning readers to age thirteen, in the tradition of *The Hobbit* or *The Chronicles of Narnia*. Rules for eligibility are otherwise the same as for the Adult literature award. The question of which award a borderline book is best suited for will be decided by consensus of the committees. Books for mature "Young Adults" may be moved to the Adult literature category.

The Mythopoeic Scholarship Award in Inklings Studies is given to books on Tolkien, Lewis, and/or Williams that make significant contributions to Inklings scholarship. For this award, books first published during the last three years (2015–2017) are eligible, including finalists for previous years.

The Mythopoeic Scholarship Award in Myth and Fantasy Studies is given to scholarly books on other specific authors in the Inklings tradition, or to more general works on the genres of myth and fantasy. The period of eligibility is three years, as for the Inklings Studies award.

The winners of this year's awards will be announced during Mythcon 49, to be held from July 20-23, 2018, in Atlanta, GA.

A complete list of Mythopoeic Award winners is available on the Society web site: *http://www.mythsoc.org/awards/.* 

The finalists for the literature awards, text of recent acceptance speeches, and selected book reviews are also listed in this on-line section. For more information about the Mythopoeic Awards, please contact the Awards Administrator: Vicki Ronn, *awards@mythsoc.org*.